

### REMARKS

This Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action mailed March 27, 2007. Applicants amend the priority data set forth on page 1 of the specification and enclose a Supplemental Application Data Sheet herewith. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the amended priority data.

### Information Disclosure Statement

Applicants enclose an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO Form 1449, with copies of the references, for the Examiner's review and consideration.

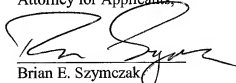
### CONCLUSION

Applicants have now made an earnest effort to place this case in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and full allowance of the application in light of the amendment set forth above.

Applicants enclose a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal, accordingly the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$790 for the RCE fee and any additional fees necessary or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0359 of ArthroCare Corporation in order to effectuate this filing.

If there are any matters concerning this Application that may be cleared up in a telephone conversation, please contact Applicants' attorney at 512.391.3961.

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